

OntoHub Perspectives

The Ontohub team

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Time plan

10h	Intro / Motivation / Know-How
10.30h	Ontohub and its background (OntoIOp ISO standard, OOR community, Hets community)
11h	Ontohub.org web portal demo
11.30h	Ontohub architecture and data model
13h	Lunch
14h	Aims
14.30h	Motivation / Know-How / Work areas
15h	Organisation (regular meetings, programming sessions, github, issue tracker)
15.30h	Setup of development environment
ca. 16h	End



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External advice

Michael Gruninger, Toronto



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- Ontology = shared (formal) conceptualisation (of a domain)
- Example: Pizza ontology
 - using Web Ontology Language OWL
 - tool for editing OWL ontologies: Protégé
<http://protege.stanford.edu/>



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Applications of Ontologies

- Medicine (Snomed)
- Biology, Biochemistry (molecules . . .)
- Semantic Web
 - Semantic Mediawiki
 - better categories for Wikipedia
 - schema.org (Google, Yahoo, Microsoft)
 - structured content for HTML pages



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Open Ontology Repository (OOR)

- ambitious goals:
 - establishing a hosted registry-repository;
 - enabling and facilitating open, federated, collaborative ontology repositories, and
 - establishing best practices for expressing interoperable ontology and taxonomy work in registry-repositories.
- lots of OOR presentations at conferences
- regular Skype conferences
- implementation: only through Bioportal, only for OWL
- <http://www.oor.net>



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bioportal.bioontology.org

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Find an ontology

Enter ontology name, e.g. NCI Thesaurus Explore Browse Ontologies >

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Most Viewed Ontologies (October, 2012)

Ontology	Views
National Drug File	8441
SNOMED Clinical Terms	6277
International Classification of Diseases	4638
MedDRA	4144
NCI Thesaurus	1759

Latest Notes

Suggest synonym removal (Human disease ontology) about 3 month ago by cayceky
Suggest removing "cancer of prostate" as a synonym and associate this with the present term's par...

Please use the tracker for this ontology to make notes (Zebrafish anatomy and development) about 3 month ago by cayceky
Please make comments, new term requests, issue reports etc for this ontology using the official t...

Languages (BRENDA tissue / enzyme source) about 1 month ago by anonymous
does the ontology contain terms in different languages?

Terms (BRENDA tissue / enzyme source) about 1 month ago by anonymous
How many terms does the BTO include?

Please use the tracker for this ontology to make notes (Uber anatomy ontology) about 1 month ago by cmungall
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Latest Mappings

Neoplasms of uncertain behavior (testis) (MedDRA) => Neoplasms of uncertain behavior of testis (International Classification of Diseases)
NLM UMLS (MRMAP) 11/05/12 loom

BALANITIS (COSTART) => Balanitis (MedDRA)
NLM UMLS (MRMAP) 11/05/12 loom

Poisoning by bromine compounds (International Classification of Diseases) => Poisoning by bromine compounds (MedDRA)
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Radial styloid tenosynovitis (MedDRA) => Radial styloid tenosynovitis (International Classification of Diseases)
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Hair transplant (International Classification of Diseases) => Hair transplant (MedDRA)
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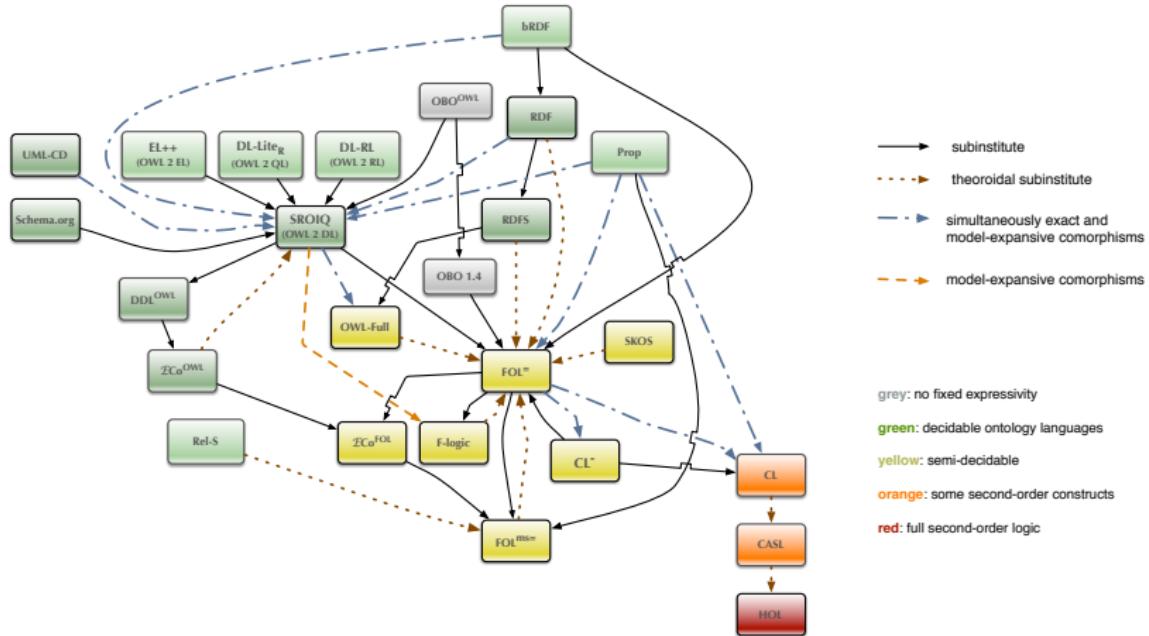
- ISO Standard 17347 (currently: working draft)
- Distributed Ontology Language (DOL)
 - OWL (Web Ontology Language)
 - RDF (Resource Description Framework)
 - EER (Enhanced Entity-Relationship Diagrams)
 - Common Logic
 - UML (Unified Modeling Language)
 - ...
- Community of 10-15 experts
- bi-weekly Skype conferences
- <http://ontoiop.org>



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OntoOp Logic Graph



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Heterogeneous Tool Set (Hets)

- Logic backend for OntoHub
- can parse and analyse all involved languages
- implements logic translations
- interface to about 15 proof tools
- anchored in algebraic specification community
(WADT, CoFI, IFIP WG 1.3)
- <http://www.dfki.de/cps/hets>



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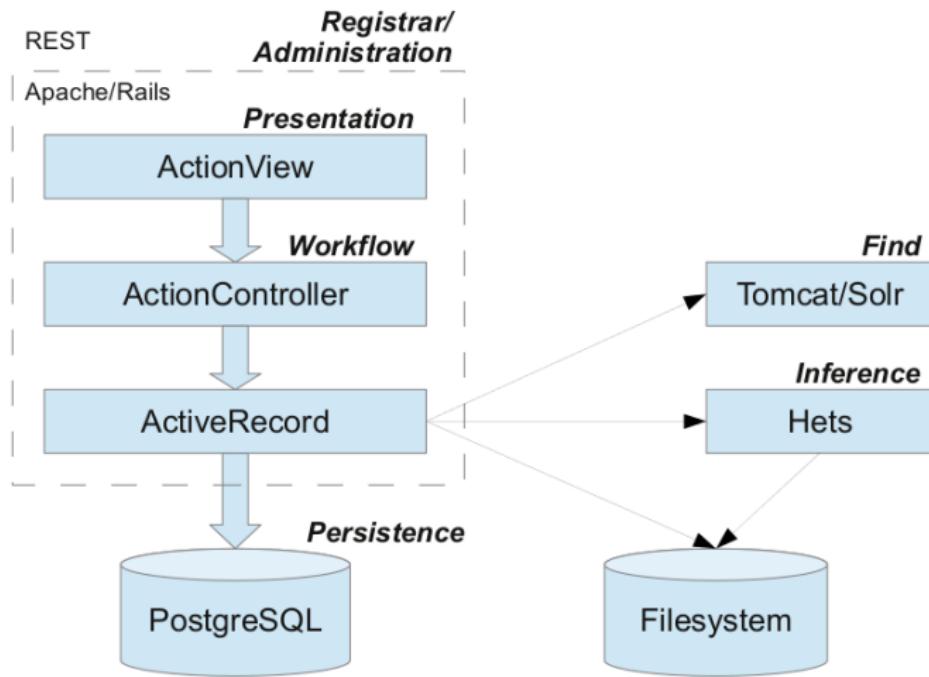
- generalise Bioportal and OOR
⇒ provide a repository for heterogeneous ontologies
- provide a repository for OntoOp/DOL
- provide a web-frontend for Hets



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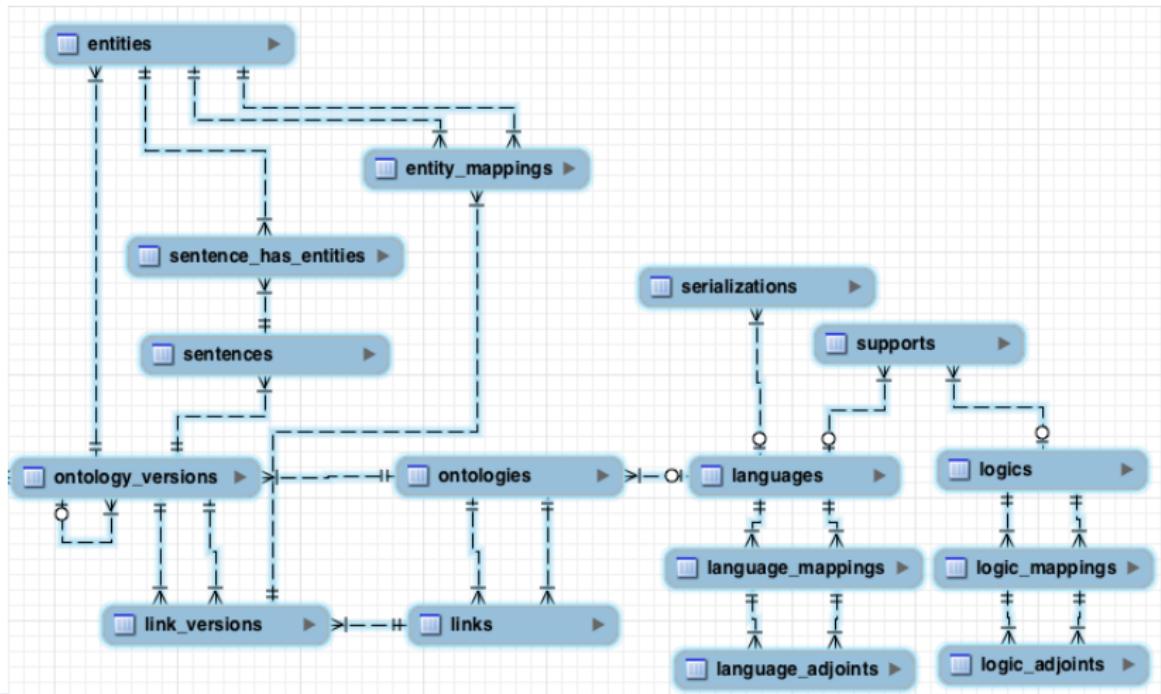
Ontohub architecture



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Ontohub data model



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OntoHub short-term and long-term goals

- Documentation / rdoc / top-down overview
- Keep functionality through tests
- CRUD functionality not only for ontologies, but also for logics, translations, ...
- display graph of ontologies and links (and logic graph)
- Reasoning (provide Hets GUI)
- Git backend (distributed development of ontologies)
- long-term goal: OOR architecture



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Test-driven development:

No line of code without test

- Fixtures: provide data for tests
- Unit tests: test single methods of models
- Functional tests: test controller actions
- Integration tests: test sessions (sequences of actions)



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CRUD functionality for logics etc.

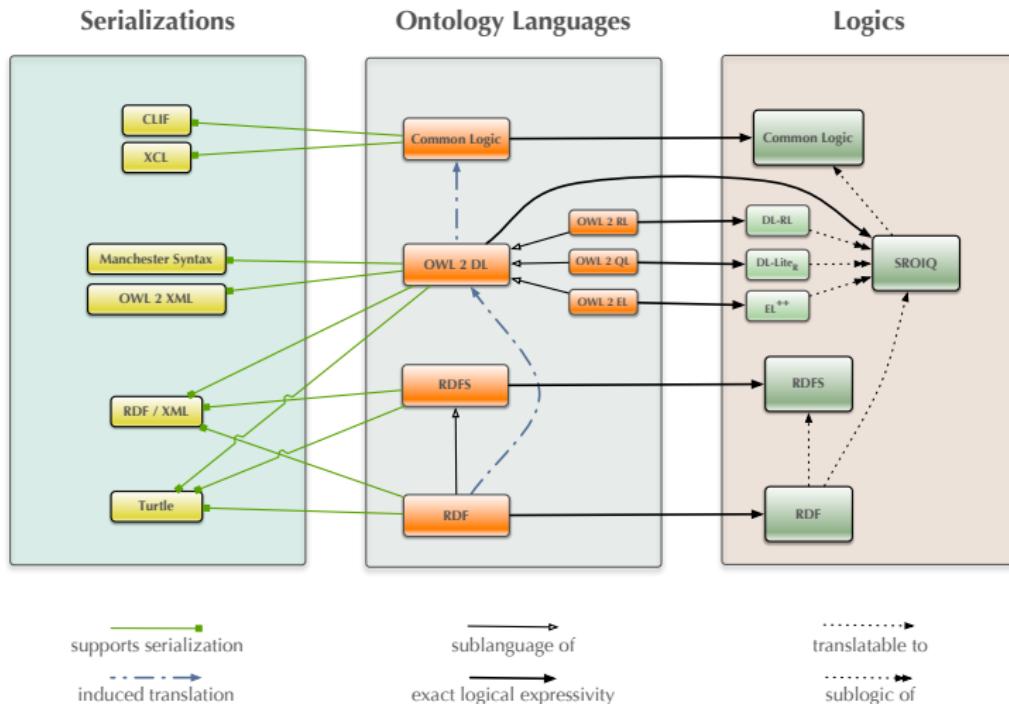
- re-use existing functionality for ontologies
- transfer this to links, logics, logic mappings, languages, language mappings, and serializations
- involve further tables like supports
- display lists of these things: see display of graphs
- read in logic graph from OntoOp registry (RDF)



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OntoOp registry



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display of graphs

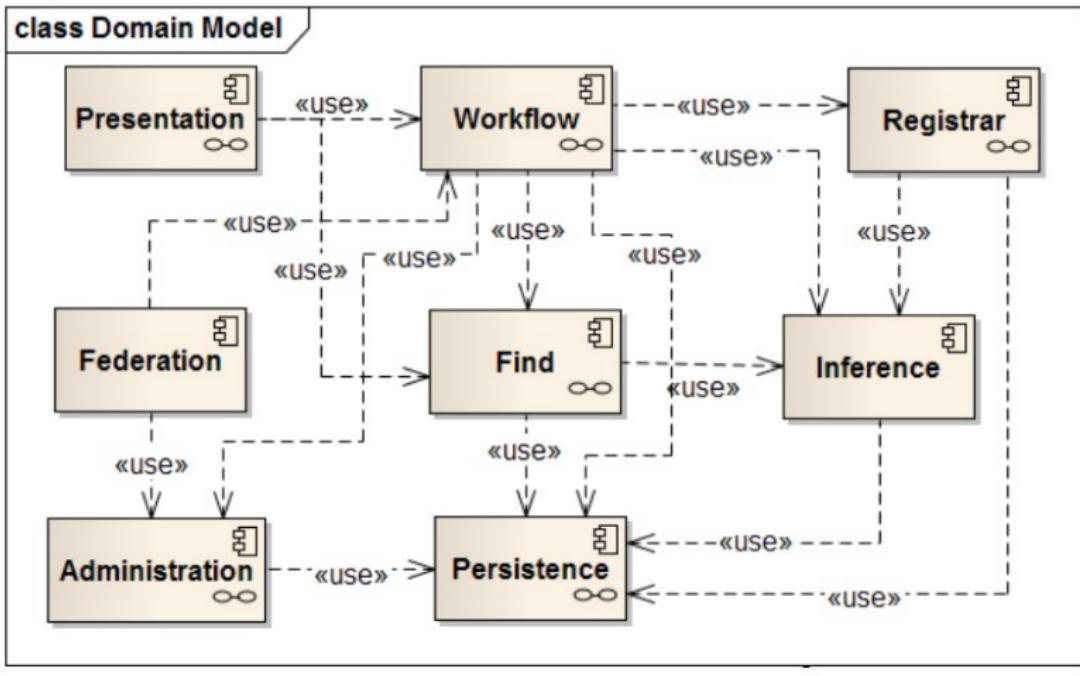
- use graphviz / dot to generate svg from graph
- html and javascript can be embedded to svg
- use this to realise menus for nodes and links
- long-term goal: re-use Bioportal's fancy display



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Revised Architecture



- New Rails model “repository”, which simultaneously provides namespace for ontologies
- underlying git or svn repositories
- permissions per repository (not per ontology)
- only contents of master branch is displayed in Ontohub
- store who has pushed when what
- server side git hooks



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Organisation

- who does what?
- meetings
- shared office in Cartesium



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